

items to Iraq, and by so doing hold Syria accountable for the serious international security problems it has caused in the Middle East by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 398 yeas to 4 nays, Roll No. 543; and

Pages H9418–31, H9442–43

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations: The House began debate on the subject of a bill making emergency supplemental appropriations for defense and for the reconstruction of Iraq and Afghanistan for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004. Further proceedings on the subject will continue tomorrow, October 16.

Pages H9431–40, H9443–64

Energy Policy Act of 2003—Motion to Instruct Conferees: The House agreed to the Capps motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 6, to enhance energy conservation and research and development, to provide for security and diversity in the energy supply for the American people by a yeas-and-nay vote of 229 yeas to 182 nays, Roll No. 540.

Pages H9440–41

Tax Relief, Simplification, and Equity Act—Motion to Instruct Conferees: The House rejected the Crowley motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308, Tax Relief, Simplification, and Equity Act by a yeas-and-nay vote of 203 yeas to 204 nays, Roll No. 541.

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Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit—Motion to Instruct Conferees: The House rejected the Schakowsky motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1, Medicare Prescription Drug and Modernization Act of 2003 by a yeas-and-nay vote of 190 yeas to 218 nays, Roll No. 542.

Pages H9441–42

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H9385.

Senate Referral: S. 1053 and S.J. Res 18 were ordered held at the desk.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H9479–83.

Adjournment: The House met at 1 p.m. and adjourned at 12 midnight.

Committee Meetings

MEDICAID—EVALUATING COORDINATION CARE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Evaluating Coordination of Care in Medicaid: Improving Quality and Clinical Outcomes.” Testimony was heard from Rhonda Medows, Secretary, Agency for Health Care Administration, State of Florida; Jeffrey Simms, Assistant Director, Division of Medical Assistance, State of North Carolina; Melanie M. Bella, Assistant

Secretary, Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning, State of Indiana; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—SENIOR EXECUTIVE SERVICE—ACHIEVING DIVERSITY

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Civil Service and Agency Organization held an oversight hearing entitled “Achieving Diversity in the Senior Executive Service.” Testimony was heard from George H. Stalcup, Director, Strategic Issues, GAO; Ronald P. Sanders, Associate Director, Strategic Human Resources Policy, OPM; Carlton M. Hadden, Director, Office of Federal Operations, EEOC; Gail T. Lovelace, Chief Human Capital Officer, GSA; JoAnne Barnart, Chief Financial Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce; Reginald F. Wells, Deputy Commissioner, Human Resources, SSA; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on the following bills: S. 625, Tualatin River Basin Water Supply Enhancement Act of 2003; H.R. 2831, Newlands Project Headquarters and Maintenance Yard Facility Transfer Act; and H.R. 3210, Little Butte/Bear Creek Subbasins Water Feasibility Act. Testimony was heard from Mark A. Limbaugh, Deputy Commissioner, External and Intergovernmental Affairs, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a vote of 9 to 4, an open rule providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 3289, making emergency supplemental appropriations for defense and for the reconstruction of Iraq and Afghanistan for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. Under the rules of the House the bill shall be read for amendment by paragraph. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill), except as specified in the resolution. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Young and Representatives Kirk, Shays, Manzullo, Pence, Obey, Lantos, Spratt, DeFazio, Tanner, Waters, Deutsch, Stupak,

Faleomavaega, Hastings of Florida, Maloney, Scott of Virginia, Wynn, Harman, Jackson-Lee of Texas, Lee, Sherman, Reyes, Rodriguez, Holt, Larson of Connecticut, Moore, Matheson and Watson.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1087)

H.R. 659, to amend section 242 of the National Housing Act regarding the requirements for mortgage insurance under such Act for hospitals. Signed on October 3, 2003. (Public Law 108–91)

H.R. 978, to amend chapter 84 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that certain Federal annuity computations are adjusted by 1 percentage point relating to periods of receiving disability payments. Signed on October 3, 2003. (Public Law 108–92)

S. 111, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the national significance of the Miami Circle site in the State of Florida as well as the suitability and feasibility of its inclusion in the National Park System as part of Biscayne National Park. Signed on October 3, 2003. (Public Law 108–93)

S. 233, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of Coltsville in the State of Connecticut for potential inclusion in the National Park System. Signed on October 3, 2003. (Public Law 108–94)

S. 278, to make certain adjustments to the boundaries of the Mount Naomi Wilderness Area. Signed on October 3, 2003. (Public Law 108–95)

H.R. 1925, to reauthorize programs under the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act and the Missing Children's Assistance Act. Signed on October 10, 2003. (Public Law 108–96)

H.R. 2826, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1000 Avenida Sanchez Osorio in Carolina, Puerto Rico, as the "Roberto Clemente Walker Post Office Building". Signed on October 10, 2003. (Public Law 108–97)

S. 570, to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 with respect to the qualifications of foreign schools. Signed on October 10, 2003. (Public Law 108–98)

H.R. 2152, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to extend for an additional 5 years the special immigrant religious worker program. Signed on October 15, 2003. (Public Law 108–99)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2003

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold a closed briefing on the intelligence portion of the FY04 Emergency Supplemental Appropriations request, 9:30 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine proposals for improving the regulation of the Housing GSEs, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the pursuit of security and democracy in Afghanistan, 2 p.m., SH-216.

Subcommittee on European Affairs, to hold hearings to examine U.S.-EU Cooperation on regulatory affairs, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine access to postsecondary education in relation to reauthorizing the Higher Education Act, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the Missouri River Master Manual, 10 a.m., SR-485.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 1545, to amend the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 to permit States to determine State residency for higher education purposes and to authorize the cancellation of removal and adjustment of status of certain alien students who are long-term United States residents, S. 1691, to establish commissions to review the facts and circumstances surrounding injustices suffered by European Americans, European Latin Americans, and Jewish refugees during World War II, and the nominations of Henry W. Saad, of Michigan, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, George W. Miller, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, Deborah Ann Spagnoli, of California, to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission, and Dora L. Irizarry, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts, to hold hearings to examine recent litigations against food companies relative to common sense consumption, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 10 a.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Agriculture, hearing to examine new generation cooperatives and strategies to maximize farm and ranch income, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on the Budget, hearing on Department of Defense Long-Term Budget Issues, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.